e Future of HIV Prevention, Health and Human Rights
Gay, other MSM and Transgender communities:
ward More Effective Approaches in a Web 2.0 World

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Setting the scene

- In the 4th decade of the global AIDS epidemic, digital technologies have solidified themselves as a new setting for HIV and AIDS risk, prevention, and community response. The Internet and social networking platforms have transformed interpersonal interactions, making it easier than ever to find new sexual partners.

- ***This is particularly true among gay men, other MSM and transgenders.***

- Digital technologies have undoubtedly increased the possibilities for high-risk sexual behaviours.

- But they are equally powerful tools for sexual health and community mobilisation. Yet, simply deploying these technologies for HIV prevention does not ameliorate the vulnerabilities and lack of access to sexual, legal and health rights and education that put g other MSM and transgenders at personal risk of HIV infect first place.

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- Improving access to health and human rights for marginalised gay men, other MSM and transgender populations, while an important policy goal of global HIV prevention and educational practices, remains a key research and implementation design challenge for global and public health. In addition, the profound changes brought about by digital technologies on sexual practices also hamper the effectiveness of biomedical HIV and AIDS research, prevention and care.

- The papers in this unique symposia provide community-based examples of innovative examples developments using ICTS that have greater potential to impact upon HIV prevention and c health and human rights outcomes.

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